



**MAJOR GENERAL
DONALD C. STORM**

**The Adjutant General
Kentucky National Guard
Commonwealth of Kentucky
2003 - 2007**

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It was extremely difficult to choose from among the many thousands of photographs which have been taken of Major General Storm during this very important period of his military service to the Nation and Commonwealth. It is hoped this small token of our appreciation of his valuable service will meet with his approval.

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INTRODUCTION

The Kentucky National Guard today is one of the finest organizations in the nation. Its growth in both, readiness, missions and maturity since 9/11 has been phenomenal. With the growing responsibilities given to the Kentucky National Guard, the job description of the Adjutant General of Kentucky has changed considerably. While in decades gone by travel itineraries rarely included destinations for the senior staff more exotic than Little Rock or Washington DC, they now regularly include Afghanistan and Iraq and points around the globe. As often as not to visit members of the Kentucky Guard assigned missions on the cutting edge of the Global War on Terrorism.

The Kentucky Guard has also paid a price for its efforts. Sixteen members of the Kentucky National Guard have died in Iraq and Afghanistan along with two inactive members who were doing contract work in Iraq. No Adjutant General has had the task of handing as many folded flags to loved ones. No Adjutant General in Kentucky history has been a part of so many departure and welcome home ceremonies for his soldiers and airmen.

Service on the homefront since December 2003 has been strenuous as well. Katrina, Jump Start, flood, forest fire, tornadoes and a host of planned events have kept the soldiers and airmen actively engaged across the Nation and the Commonwealth as well. MG Storm and all the Adjutant General's who came before stretching back to when Daniel Boone first came through the Cumberland Gap have led us and prepared us for the missions the Kentucky Guard has today and the great success and respect they have earned in accomplishing those missions.

The only certain thing about the future is its uncertainty but perhaps this historical gathering of images during a whirlwind of activity in our history will not only give us a family album of sorts, but also a clear benchmark as we move forward in answer to the needs of our nation and the citizens of the Commonwealth of Kentucky..

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MAJOR GENERAL DONALD C. STORM

Major General Donald C. Storm was appointed as the 50th Adjutant General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky by Governor Ernie Fletcher December 9, 2003.

General Storm began his military career in 1970 as an enlisted soldier, serving with Military Assistance Command Vietnam. After leaving active duty in 1972, he enlisted in the Kentucky Army National Guard and has been employed full time by the Guard since 1974.

Since he was commissioned as an Infantry officer in 1981, the General has commanded and served in staff officer positions at the company, battalion, brigade, and state headquarters level. His senior-level leadership assignments include: Director of Army Personnel; State Surface Maintenance Manager; Director of Plans, Operations and Training; and State Counter-Drug Coordinator. General Storm served as the Kentucky Army Guard's Chief of Staff from October 2001 to December 2003.

EDUCATION:

- 1970 Eastern Kentucky University - BBA - Finance
- 1983 Infantry Officer Basic Course
- 1984 COMSEC Custodian
- 1986 Miles Net (Reserve Component)
- 1986 NBC Officer Defense Course
- 1986 Infantry Office Advance Course
- 1986 Mobilization Development Plan Course
- 1987 Officer in Charge Course
- 1988 Battalion S-1 Course
- 1990 Instructor Training Course
- 1990 Air Assault Course
- 1992 Command and General Staff College
- 1995 Personnel Management Course
- 1996 Infantry Brigade and Battalion Command Course
- 1996 Command and General Staff Battle Command Development
- 1996 Command and General Staff Tactical Command Development
- 1996 Command and General Staff Pre-Command Development
- 2000 United States Army War College – MA – Masters of Strategic Studies

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Jun 70 - Sep 70 Enlisted, USAR Control Group, St. Louis, Missouri.
2. Sep 70 - Apr 72 Enlisted, US Army.

3. Apr 72 - May 72 Enlisted, USAR Control Group, St. Louis, Missouri.
4. May 72 - Oct 81 Enlisted, Kentucky Army National Guard.
5. Oct 81 - Mar 83 Support Platoon Leader, Det 1 HHC 1st BN, 149th Infantry, Williamsburg, Kentucky.
6. Mar 83 - Mar 84 Tactical Intelligence Officer, HHC 1st BN, 149th Infantry, Barbourville, Kentucky.
7. Mar 84 - Nov 85 S-3 Air, HHC 1st BN, 149th Infantry, Barbourville, Kentucky.
8. Nov 85 - Sep 87 Commander, Company D 1st BN, 149th Infantry, Barbourville, Kentucky.
9. Sep 87 - Nov 89 S-1, HHC 1st BN, 149th Infantry, Barbourville, Kentucky.
10. Nov 89 - Mar 90 Training Officer, Kentucky Military Academy, Fort Knox, Kentucky.
11. Mar 90 - Aug 91 Operations Office, Kentucky Military Academy, Fort Knox, Kentucky.
12. Aug 91 - Sep 94 S-1, HHC 149th Infantry Bde, 35th ID, Louisville, Kentucky
13. Sep 94 - Sep 96 Deputy Director of Personnel, HQS STRAC, Frankfort, Kentucky
14. Sep 96 - Sep 98 Battalion Commander, HHC 1st BN, 149th Infantry, Barbourville, Kentucky.
15. Sep 98 - May 99 Director of Maintenance, HQS STARC, Frankfort, Kentucky
16. May 99 - Aug 99 Assistant Deputy STARC Commander, HQS STARC, Frankfort, Kentucky.
17. Aug 99 - Sep 01 Directors, Plans, Operations, Training & Military Support, HQS STARC, Frankfort, Kentucky.
18. Apr 99 - Sep 01 Counterdrug Coordinator, Kentucky Army National Guard Joint Support Operations, Bluegrass Station, Lexington, Kentucky.
19. Oct 01 - Dec 03 Chief of Staff, Joint Force HQ, Frankfort, Kentucky.
20. Dec 03 - Present Adjutant General of the Kentucky National Guard, Frankfort, Kentucky.

FEDERAL AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Legion of Merit
 Bronze Star Medal
 Meritorious Service Medal
 Army Commendation Medal with two Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters
 Army Achievement Medal
 Army Good Conduct Medal
 Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal with Silver and Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster
 National Defense Service Medal
 Vietnam Service Medal
 Humanitarian Service Medal
 Armed Forces Reserve Medal with "M" device and Silver Hour Glass



Army Service Ribbon
Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon
Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal
Air Assault Badge

STATE AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Kentucky Merit Ribbon with one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster
Kentucky Commendation Ribbon
Kentucky Service Ribbon with four Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters
Kentucky State Active Duty Ribbon with one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTIONS:

First Lieutenant	ARNG	17 October 1981
Captain	ARNG	14 April 1984
Major	ARNG	19 May 1990
Lieutenant Colonel	ARNG	21 September 1994
Colonel	ARNG	17 March 1999
Brigadier General (Line)	ARNG	09 December 2003
Major General	ARNG	28 April 2005

Early Military Years



Private Storm, top row, 6th from the left



PVT Donald C. Storm, Basic Training, Fort Knox, Kentucky

Tour of Duty in Vietnam



SP5 Storm receives Bronze Star Medal

SP4 Storm meets Captain Roger H. C. Donlon, first recipient of the Medal of Honor during the Vietnam War.





Promotion to Major ceremony,
KMA, Fort Knox, Kentucky



Award Ceremony, Colonel O. P. Morris

Official Time Keeper of the 149th
Brigade Christmas Party



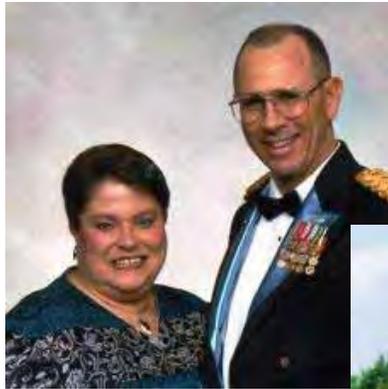


LTC Donald C. Storm

With COL Melvin Shelley



Promotion to Colonel – MG John R. Groves, Jr. and Moni



Colonel and Mrs. Storm



With LTC Freddie Waggoner at the 2001 Kentucky Derby



Korea 2002



At 1/149th Deployment Ceremony, 2003

2003





Swearing-in Ceremony (09 December 03)



The Inaugural Parade (09 December 03)

The Adjutant General's Reception (09 December 03)





The Governor's Ball (09 December 03)



Governor Fletcher's first visit to the EOC (13 December 03)

Christmas Food Drive 2003 (13 December 03)



2004



Departures/Deployments 2004



149th Departure SFOR 15 Bosnia (02 Jan 04)



206th Engineer Deployment (01 June 04)



Departure Ceremony, Det 1, B,
1/189th (08 September 04)





617th Military Police Company Departure Ceremony (05 October 2004)





Departure Ceremony, 206th ROC (27 October 04)



Departure Ceremony, 1/623rd Field Artillery Battalion (November 04)



Departure Ceremony, 940th Military Police Company (02 December 04)



Departure Ceremony, 301st (05 December 04)



Departure Ceremony, 299th
Chemical Company (11
December 04)



Homecomings/Welcome Home/Freedom Salutes 2004



Welcome Home Ceremony,
123rd Engineer Squadron
(12 March 04)





Welcome Home Ceremony, 217th
Quartermaster (12 May 04)





Freedom Salute, 2113th
(13 May 04)



Freedom Salute, 2/123rd Armor (22 May 04)





C – 1/149th Freedom Salute (06 December 04)

Overseas Visits 2004



Ecuador Visit (May 04)



Kosovo (December 04)

Promotion and Award Ceremonies 2004



Thomas Kaldy (18 February 04)





MG Storm receives MSM from Governor Fletcher (09 March 04)



COL (Ret) Al Alfaro
(19 March 04)



COL William G. Clark, Jr. Awards Ceremony (15 April 04)



COL Michael Sebastian Award Ceremony (18 April 04)



COL Michael Sutton Promotion Ceremony (18 April 04)

COL Zanol receives the
Kentucky Distinguished Service
Medal (12 May 04)



Kentucky Air National Guard
Awards Ceremony (15 May 04)





CW John Hall Receives 30 Year Plaque
(16 May 04)



COL Freddie Waggoner Awards Ceremony
(16 May 04)



Programs and Ceremonies 2004



Stanfill Funeral
(21 March 04)



Visit with 1/149th Infantry
(21 March 04)





Change of Command, 1/149th Infantry (14 August 04)



TAG Open (10 September 04)



Retirement Ceremony (05 December 04)

2005



Departures/Deployments 2005



231st Departure Ceremony (05 January 05)



Task Force Cumberland Departure Ceremony
(25 April 05)



198th Military Police Battalion Departure Ceremony (04 December 05)

Homecomings/Welcome Home/Freedom Salutes 2005



JSO Freedom Salute (21 January 05)



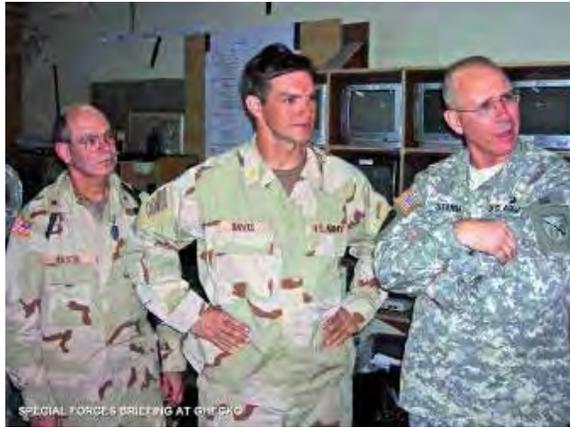


2123rd Welcome Home Ceremony (06 February 05)

Overseas Visits 2005



TAG Visit with 617th Military Police (16 June 05)



Visit to Afghanistan (24 November 05)

Promotion and Award Ceremonies 2005



COL Greene-Baker Promotion Ceremony (05 March 05)



COL Tyson Promotion Ceremony (05 March 05)



BG Culver Promotion Ceremony (21 March 05)



BG Yaple Promotion (04 December 05)



COL Likens Promotion Ceremony (05 December 05)

Programs and Ceremonies 2005



223rd Military Police Memorial Ceremony (06 February 05)



HB 215 Signing Ceremony (04 March 05)